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For

AFFINITY SENSOR FOR DETECTING SPECIFIC

MOLECULAR BINDING EVENTS AND USE

THEREOF

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please change the title to read --AFFINITY SENSOR FOR DETECTING

SPECIFIC MOLECULAR BINDING EVENTS AND USE THEREOF .--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 1-36 as follows:

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1. (Amended)

Affinity sensor for detecting specific binding events, comprising a carrier substrate provided with at least two

electrodes and having a predetermined area, said electrodes